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In re application of:

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For: APPARATUS FOR COUPLING INTRA-  
VENOUS INFUSIONS UNITS WITH  
MOBILE TRANSPORT VEHICLES

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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56 and 37 C.F.R. 1.97, the undersigned states that the prior art listed herein includes the closest prior art of which the undersigned is aware:

U.S. Patent 5,509,680 to Scharf, et al. discloses a coupling mechanism for towing a mobile I.V. stand behind a wheelchair using a tether.

U.S. Patent 5,421,548 to Bennett, et al. discloses an I.V. stand having swiveling wheels showing the stand attached to the side of a gurney or to rear of a wheelchair using a "snubber mechanism" mounted to the wheel housing of the I.V. stand.

U.S. Patent 5,374,074 to Smith, discloses a coupling device for the attachment of a mobile I.V. stand to one of the lower tubular cross members supporting a foldable wheelchair.

U.S. Patent 4,511,158 to Varga, et al. discloses an intravenous infusion pole attachment for removeably attaching an I.V. stand to a wheeled transport device.

U.S. Patent 4,511,157 to Wilt, Jr. discloses an apparatus for interconnecting a wheelchair and a portable I.V. stand.

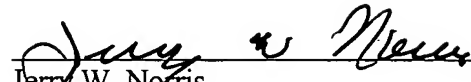
U.S. Patent 4,840,391 to Schneider presents a mobile I.V. stand coupled to the upper frame of a wheelchair.

Copies of the patents referenced herein are provided herewith.

Form PTO-1449 is attached.

Respectfully Submitted,

12/31/, 2003

  
Jerry W. Norris

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